Non-Nationalised Banks in the Country

1675. SHRI K. V. THANGKABALU: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of non-nationalised private sector banks (other than cooperative banks and foreign banks) in the country;

(b) what is their total deposits at the end of 1987 and 1988;

(c) what are the advances made by these banks during the above period;

(d) what is the number of their branches and the number of employees working therein;

(e) whether Government propose to nationalise them; and

(f) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that at present 32 non-nationalised banks (29 scheduled and 3 non-scheduled) in the private sector are functioning in the country.

(b) and (c) The aggregate deposits (other than from banks) and advances (excluding inter bank advances) as on the last Friday of December, 1987 and 1988 in respect of the scheduled Indian private setcor banks, are furnished below:—

(Rupees in crores)

Year	No. of banks	Deposits	Advances
1987	30	5415.5	3021.75
1988	29	6412.46*	3535 27*

*(Provisional)

(d) As per the information available with the RBI, as on 30-9-88 the 32 private sector banks had 3637 branches. RBI has further reported that the present data reporting system of the Bank does not generate the information relating to the number of employees working in private sector banks.

(e) and (f) No such proposal is under consideration of the Government.

Opening of a zonal office of Allahabad Bank

1676. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to open a zonal office of Allahabad Bank at Bhubaneshwar;

(b) if so, whether the zonal office is proposed to be opened during the current financial year; and

(c) what are the names of the other cities where the zonal offices of Allahabad Bank have been opened?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF

FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that it has received no proposal from Allahabad Bank for opening of its Zonal Office at Bhubaneshwar.

(c) As per available information with RBI, Allahabad Bank has got Zonal Offices in the following cities:—

Bombay
Calcutta (2 Zonal Offices)
Patna
Bhopal
New Delhi
Varanasi
Lucknow
Meerut
Kanpur

भारतीय जीवन बीमा निगम में माइक्रो-प्रोसेसरों की स्थापना

1677. डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय: क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या भारतीय जीवन बीमा निगम के विभिन्न कार्यालयों में माइक्रो-प्रोसेसर लगवाये गये हैं; यदि हां, तो उनकी संख्या कितनी है;

(ख) क्या ये माइक्रोप्रोसेसर केवल अंग्रेजी के हैं अथवा इन पर हिन्दी में भी कार्य किया जा सकता है;

(ग) यदि ये माइक्रोप्रोसेसर अंग्रेजी भाषा में ही है तो ऐसे यन्त्र हिन्दी में अथवा द्विभाषी रूप में तैयार करवाने के लिये क्या प्रयत्न किये गये हैं और इस कार्य में क्या प्रगति हुई है; और

(घ) क्या यह सच है कि माइक्रो-प्रोसेसरों के अंग्रेजी में होने के कारण अनेक ऐसे काम जो पहले हिन्दी में होने लगे थे अब फिर अंग्रेजी में होने लगे हैं?

वित्त मंत्रालय में आर्थिक कार्य विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री एडुवर्डो फेलेरियो) : (क) जी, हां। अब तक 460 माइक्रोप्रोसेसर लगाए गए हैं।

(ख) इस समय लगे माइक्रोप्रोसेसरों से केवल अंग्रेजी में ही कार्य लिया जाता है।

(ग) विभिन्न निर्माता और सोफ्ट-वेयर प्रतिष्ठान हिन्दी अथवा द्विभाषिक रूप में कार्य करने के लिए उपयुक्त उपस्कर और सोफ्टवेयर तैयार कर रहे हैं।

(घ) जी, नहीं।

Seizure of gold

1678. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the estimated quantity of smuggled gold seized in the country alongwith its value during the past one year;

(b) whether any arrests have been made in each case;

(c) whether any steps are being contemplated by Government to stop smuggling of gold into the country; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) 6094 Kgs. (provisional) of gold worth Rs. 200 crores approximately have been seized by the Customs authorities during the last calender year 1988.

(b) 3255 (provisional) number of persons have been arrested by the Customs authorities during 1988 for being involved in smuggling activities. Separate figures in respect of persons arrested for being involved in gold smuggling alone are not maintained.